

Port Authority Bill to Pass Early in Week

Quick Approval in Both Houses Assured and It Is Expected To Be Before Miller Thursday

Busy Wind-Up Forecast Rules Committee Due to Take Over All Legislation Not Acted Upon March 3

ALBANY, Feb. 11.—The Port Authority bill will come up for action in both houses next week. It is expected that it will be in the hands of the Governor by Thursday night, as its early passage in both houses is assured. It will receive practically a solid republican vote, and Democratic legislators who are not afraid of reprisals from Mayor Hylan and William Randolph Hearst are going to follow the advice of ex-Governor Alfred E. Smith and the Democratic party platform and vote for the bill.

The Legislature promises to spend the last month of its existence in one of the busiest wind-ups known here. It is admitted that the vast majority of the 1,521 bills which have been introduced to date, and which have not been acted on by any of the committees, can receive but scant consideration at best.

Rules Board to Take Power March 3

On Monday night the resolution setting March 17 as the date of final adjournment will be introduced in both houses. This automatically will wipe out existence on March 3 all standing committees in the Assembly, when the Rules Committee will take over all the legislation which the committees have not acted on up to that date. This will mean that the Rules Committee, consisting actually of five men, but functioning through the chairman, the Speaker of the House, will have prime control over 1,500 measures and is supposed to give reasonable consideration to all these bills in the comparatively few days it will have at its disposal.

Yearly efforts to end this situation are made by friends of good government, but without success. Sometimes the Rules Committee has been used to kill meritorious legislation whose passage was opposed by powerful lobbyists, and at other times the Governor, if he controlled the Speaker, would have legislation killed which he openly advocated, and then, with the consent of the Speaker, would place all the blame on the Rules Committee. In legislative circles it is known as the morgue.

Tax Bills' Field Day Tuesday

On Tuesday all tax bills will hold their field day before the two committees on taxation. One of the most important measures which will be considered by these committees is the Davenport-Judson bill providing for a percent tax on all unincorporated businesses. At present this tax is levied only on incorporated enterprises. The purpose of the law is not only to eliminate the discrimination, but to add to the state revenues.

On Wednesday there will be a hearing before the Public Service Committee on Senator Robinson's water power bill, which carry out the Governor's recommendations. The same day, the Assembly Judiciary Committee will consider the seven constitutional amendments giving home rule for cities which he argued, and it is expected that at least one of them will be reported favorably.

The Lockwood committee will make its report this week, and the Budget Committee's statement on appropriations will be ready Monday night. The total budget will be \$126,000,000, some \$10,000,000 less than last year's, and nearly \$20,000,000 less than the last budget of the Smith administration.

Port Authority Explains Bill

In answer to various inquiries, the Port Authority issued a statement yesterday aimed at clarifying important features of the Port Authority bill. The adoption by the New York and New Jersey legislatures of the Meyer-Hastick and Case-Pierson bills will officialize the plans and enable the Port Authority to begin definite negotiations for the construction of the proposed new State Island. The State Island Chamber of Commerce and the State Island Civic League have forwarded to the members of the Legislature protests against legislative approval of the port authority plan by the Meyer-Hastick bill, on the ground that even present legislation will not be given adequate relief by the Greenville-Bay Ridge tunnel, which, in the judgment of the port authority, is the crux of the whole plan, and the two

Plummer Urges Ship Subsidies To Lower Rates

Shipping Board Commissioner Charges Foreign Vessels Gain Business by Bidding Under Americans

Free Trade Is Denounced Speakers Tell Republican Club Protection Must Extend to Merchant Marine

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The proposed extension of the government's subsidy to American vessels to enable them to underbid foreign lines and thus regain the volume of trade that has been slipping away in the last year, E. C. Plummer, Shipping Board Commissioner, told the National Republican Club at its luncheon yesterday. He declared that the reason for the drop from 51 to 20 percent in the foreign commerce carried under the United States flag in the last twelve months was due to the fact that alien vessels are able through lower operating costs to quote cheaper rates.

The need for subsidies to establish the American merchant marine was the subject of several addresses before the Republican club. Other speakers were Winthrop L. Marvin, president of the American Steamship Operators' Association, Edgar Pennington Young, publisher of "The Marine Journal," and William W. Hoppin, Assistant Attorney General, in charge of customs.

Weather Report

General Forecast.—Clouds and cold, followed by snow or rain, this afternoon and night or tomorrow, increasing southeast and east winds, probably becoming strong.

Local Forecast.—The following forecast for the next twenty-four hours, in comparison with the corresponding date of last year:

1921-1922		1922	
24 hours	24 hours	24 hours	24 hours
High, 42	Low, 32	High, 41	Low, 31
High, 41	Low, 31	High, 40	Low, 30
High, 40	Low, 30	High, 39	Low, 29
High, 39	Low, 29	High, 38	Low, 28
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High, 37	Low, 27	High, 36	Low, 26
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High, 24	Low, 14	High, 23	Low, 13
High, 23	Low, 13	High, 22	Low, 12
High, 22	Low, 12	High, 21	Low, 11
High, 21	Low, 11	High, 20	Low, 10
High, 20	Low, 10	High, 19	Low, 9
High, 19	Low, 9	High, 18	Low, 8
High, 18	Low, 8	High, 17	Low, 7
High, 17	Low, 7	High, 16	Low, 6
High, 16	Low, 6	High, 15	Low, 5
High, 15	Low, 5	High, 14	Low, 4
High, 14	Low, 4	High, 13	Low, 3
High, 13	Low, 3	High, 12	Low, 2
High, 12	Low, 2	High, 11	Low, 1
High, 11	Low, 1	High, 10	Low, 0
High, 10	Low, 0	High, 9	Low, -1
High, 9	Low, -1	High, 8	Low, -2
High, 8	Low, -2	High, 7	Low, -3
High, 7	Low, -3	High, 6	Low, -4
High, 6	Low, -4	High, 5	Low, -5
High, 5	Low, -5	High, 4	Low, -6
High, 4	Low, -6	High, 3	Low, -7
High, 3	Low, -7	High, 2	Low, -8
High, 2	Low, -8	High, 1	Low, -9
High, 1	Low, -9	High, 0	Low, -10

Wants Change in Laws

Commissioner Plummer said that his aspiration is to see half of our foreign trade carried in American ships, and that the country should not be content with laws that will permit foreign lines to get more than their share.

Mr. Young joined with Mr. Marvin and Mr. Plummer in asserting that on numerous occasions British and German influences have been instrumental in defeating shipping legislation.

Mr. Plummer said that despite the "tremendous depression" in trade there is no employment for 25,000,000 tons of shipping. Stating that there is no real market for government vessels, he asserted that if American vessels are enabled to operate at a profit the result will add much more than the cost of the subsidy to the sales value of the ships.

New Stairway To Be Built At The Mott Avenue Station

The Transit Commission approved yesterday the construction of a new stairway at the northeast corner of Mott Avenue and 41st Street, the Bronx, to supplement the one existing entrance to the Mott Avenue station of the Lexington Avenue subway line.

Seamen Unprotected

"Any man, thirty years, including the entire Republican era in our national politics," said Mr. Marvin, "we have left our seamen and seamen unprotected. Our government has given on the Kansas law a tariff wall against the seamen and seamen and seamen, whose wages and living conditions are nearest to our own, and at the same time our government has

Senate Votes for Leviathan Repair Job in Navy Yard

Amendment's Adoption Victory for Those Favoring Work at Boston; Shipping Board May Ignore Action

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Without a record vote, but after extended debate, the Senate today approved an amendment to the independent offices appropriation bill requiring that, unless otherwise ordered by the President, no expenditures in excess of \$5,000 shall be made in repair or reconditioning of government vessels in home ports until a reasonable opportunity has been given available navy yards to estimate the cost of such work within the limit of time in which the work is to be done.

Shipping Board Turns Down Coxe's Proposal

Urged Government to Motorize 112 Steel Vessels and Sell Them at \$70 a Ton

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The proposal of Jacob S. Coxe, leader of the Army, to have the government motorize 112 steel vessels and then sell them to a company to be formed by him at \$70 a ton was rejected today by the Shipping Board. Chairman Lusk said the plan was too vague.

Coxe explained his plan to officials of the Shipping Board today as a substitute for the proposed ship subsidy. He suggested that Congress pass legislation authorizing the issuance and appropriation of \$30,000,000 of legal tender Treasury notes to pay for the motorization of the 112 steel vessels. The steel hulls are to be fitted with Diesel engine propulsion at an estimated cost of \$60 a deadweight ton and after that motorized to be sold to a company to be formed by Coxe at \$70 a ton, with the purchaser having twenty years in which to meet the payments.

Globe Girder Shifts Ships

Crosses Atlantic, Then Takes Pacific Boat in Bay

Benjamin W. Smith, a British steel manufacturer, who arrived here yesterday from Southampton on the Royal Mail liner Orbita, was transferred with his baggage by tug from the vessel in Gravesend Bay to the outgoing Pacific liner Ebro, bound for Valparaiso, Chile, via the Panama Canal.

The Orbita, which left her pier in the North River and by radio communication both vessels were ordered to anchor in Gravesend Bay. A tug was sent to the Orbita and transferred Mr. Smith to the outgoing Ebro, permission for the transfer having been granted by the immigration and customs officials.

Couple Killed by Gas While Infant Escapes

David H. Frisch and his wife Freda, were killed by escaping gas in their apartment at 138 Union Avenue, Brooklyn yesterday. Their bodies were found when a neighbor traced the odor of gas to the Frisch apartment. The one-year-old son of the couple was alive in the room with his dead parents. Both were partly dressed. Frisch, who was a newspaper editor, was found on a couch. Gas was flowing from a jet not completely turned off.

Seaman Reported Adrift In Lifeboat at Atlantic

Somewhere out in the Atlantic a seaman from the American freighter Gaffney is drifting in a buff-colored lifeboat, according to Captain Vincenzo Romano, master of the Italian liner Giuseppe Verdi, which arrived here yesterday from Naples.

Shipping Clings To Anchorage as Fog Grips Harbor

A thick and tenacious fog which spread over the harbor yesterday and extended well out on the Atlantic, held the east and west bound fleets in its grip throughout the day. Several out-bound vessels took a chance and went down the river, but it is believed that they were unable to anchor this side of the Narrows.

Plans to Hasten Docking of George Washington Fail, as Liner Is Compelled to Linger Off Sandy Hook

Much ado was made by the United States Shipping Board over the arrival of the George Washington from Bremen. Representatives of the United States Lines, which operates her, announced that she would dock in Hoboken, fog or no fog, and that the gangplank would be put ashore about midnight. A night permit for her docking was issued. The health officer, despite the rules of the port to pass no vessel arriving after sunset, was ordered to examine her in quarantine whenever she arrived there and a full staff of customs inspectors, all receiving an extra day's pay for the night duty, were ordered to await her arrival in Hoboken.

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Power Concern Upheld in Muscle Shoals Deal

Weeks Says U. S. Is Morally Obligated to Give Company Right to Bid

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The opinion that the government was morally obligated, if not legally bound, to the Alabama Power Company was expressed today by Secretary Weeks in connection upon proposals claimed by that concern on properties involved in the negotiations to sell or lease the Muscle Shoals (Alabama) project to Henry Ford.

The Secretary said the power company should have an opportunity to bid on the properties concerned in the event Congress authorized their disposal to private interests.

Colonel John Hull, acting judge advocate general, argued there was no legal claim which could be extended by the company and the options he asserted were "non-enforceable."

Tariff Valuation Discussed At White House Conference

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Tariff valuation plans were the subject of a conference at the White House yesterday attended by Chairman Fordney and Senator Smoot of the Senate Finance Committee, Chairman Fordney of the House Ways and Means Committee, and Secretary Weeks. After their meeting with the President, the Senate and House members said the valuation situation was unchanged.

Further Fur Reductions Beginning Tomorrow

Fur Coats and Wraps

Handsome Broadtail Wrap \$1750 (Formerly \$3500)

Tipped Hudson Bay Sable Collar (Formerly \$3500)

Fashionable Kolinsky Wrap \$1000 (Formerly \$2500)

Handsome Ermine Cape \$975 (Formerly \$1950)

Handsome Mole Coat \$495 (Formerly \$950)

Mole Capes \$495

Ermine and Platinum Fox Collars (Formerly \$875)

8 Choice Hudson Seal Coats \$495 (Formerly \$850 to \$950)

Squirrel, Skunk, Taupe Caracul and Black Lynx Collar and Cuffs

Taupe Nutria Day Coat \$225 (Formerly \$395)

34-inch length (Formerly \$395)

Choice Dark Mink Coat \$1500

New Flare model (Formerly \$3200)

Russian Ermine Wrap \$1295

(Formerly \$2500)

Dark Natural Squirrel Coat \$675

(Formerly \$1250)

Persian Lamb Coat \$595

Monkey Fur collar (Formerly \$950)

Mole Day Coat \$395

(Formerly \$750)

Mole Coat \$295

(Formerly \$650)

Australian Opossum Coat \$585

(Formerly \$875)

Leopard Sport Coat \$395

Beaver collar and cuffs (Formerly \$750)

Black Russian Pony Coat \$125

(Formerly \$225)

Day Wraps

25 Handsome Fur-trimmed Effects, \$75 to \$195 (Values \$185 to \$350)

Evening Wraps

20 Luxurious Fur-trimmed Effects at \$95 (Values to \$195)

30 Handsome Brocaded Wraps at \$165

(Values to \$325)

Velvet Day Dresses

15 Afternoon and Informal Effects, \$65—\$85 (Values to \$195)

Velvet Evening Gowns

20 Dinner and Evening Styles \$75—\$95 (Values to \$250)

Winter Suits

24 Tailored and Fur-trimmed Styles at \$35 (Values \$75 to \$150)

5 Fur-trimmed Effects at \$50

(Values to \$195)

11 Tailored and Fur-trimmed Styles at \$75

(Values to \$245)

14 Rich Fur-trimmed Effects at \$95

(Values to \$275)

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Two-Tone Walnut Dining Room Suite of 10 pieces	435.00	375.00
Sheraton Dining Room Suite in Mahogany, 10 pieces	690.00	435.00
Crotch Mahogany Dining Room Suite of 10 pieces in White Design, 10 pieces	760.00	575.00
William and Mary Bedroom Suite of 6 pieces in Walnut	815.00	575.00
Hopplewhite Bedroom Suite of 8 pieces in Mahogany	975.00	685.00
Shaded Ivory Enamel Bedroom Suite of 7 pieces	735.00	490.00
Enamel Bedroom Suite, Hand-Painted Decorations, 6 pieces	785.00	397.00

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